

REMARKS

Claims 48-73, 75-104, 106-126, 152-164 and 200-219 are presently pending in the application. Claims 48-73, 75-104, 106-126, 152-198 and 200-219 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph, as lacking enablement. Claims 48-73, 75-104, 106-126, 152-198 and 200-219 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph, as being indefinite. Regarding both rejections, the Examiner has very helpfully suggested the inclusion of a controller and also suggested the inclusion of monomers or polymers to produce the ligands.

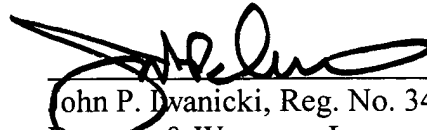
Although, Applicants respectfully traverse the Examiner's rejections, the Applicants have amended the claims in the manner similar to that suggested by the Examiner in order to moot the Examiner's rejections and expedite prosecution and issuance. Independent claims 48, 152, and 207 have been amended to replace the term "compound" with "monomer or polymer" from claim 56. Claim 56 has accordingly been cancelled. Also, independent claims 48, 152 and 207 have been amended to clarify that the positioning system includes a translational controller. Support for the translational controller is found at pages 25-27 which provide examples of translational mechanisms using reference points for the delivery instrument and having precisely repeatable movements and including vision or blind systems. The specification further references translational controllers used in the microelectronic device fabrication art which have closed loop position feedback mechanisms. Accordingly, the amendments add no new matter and they address the Examiner's rejections. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner's rejections be reconsidered and withdrawn and the claims allowed.

Claim 50 stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, as being indefinite because it is unclear how a pellet (solid) can be in solution as in claim 48. In response, Applicants have deleted claim 50.

Having addressed all outstanding issues, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and allowance of this case.

Respectfully submitted,

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